

IN SEARCH OF MUSTANGS

I would again like to spend this month thanking those who care about this project! I would like to start with Richard Gerardis and Dolores Oertel of New Jersey for another surplus of VID information that they submitted to "In Search." Richard and Dolores both have submitted a lot of information in the past, and once again we are blessed with their enthusiasm. Richard and Dolores, I thank you both very much.

Another fine individual is Fred Glazier. (You guessed it, of Glazier's Mustang Barn.) Not only is Fred a fine man to deal with for your Mustang parts and accessories, not to mention restoration, Fred was also kind enough to submit VID information from the First Pennsylvania Regional Group. They ran an "In Search of Mustangs" application in their Newsletter, and the response was quite impressive. Fred, from the bottom of my heart, I want to thank

you! Now, if only other MCA regional groups could do the same. Can I count on the rest of you to help "In Search" grow? We are just under the 4,000 mark.

"In Search of Mustangs" can be a family affair, as well. Larry Hernandez of California submitted information on his 1964½ Mustang — 5R07F103043 Built 29 July 64. His sister has submitted two 64½ Mustangs to the registry in the past. Larry, I want to thank you both for doing your part.

Among unique Ponies submitted, we have a 1972 MACH I, 2F05R208900, built in May, 1972. The MACH I has the rather rare 351 High Output Cleveland. Not many 72's were blessed with this powerplant. This MACH I has a DSO of 17 showing delivery new to the Washington, D.C. area. Its owner is David Bye of New Jersey. The 351 H.O. for 72 wasn't as wild as the

BOSS 351 for 71, but as government controls tightened in 72, the performance days faded into the past. 1972 was truly the last year for an even vaguely strong Mustang. There are a few 1973 Ponies tooling about that maintain the performance image, though.

A nice letter from Marie Finnell of Florida asks about her 1967 Mustang. Marie submitted just the codes, but no Vehicle Warranty /Serial Number. Marie, you need to fill out an "In Search" application, found in recent issues of Mustang Times. This will show you just what we need. Thank you, Marie, for writing.

Another nice letter from Stephen Franklin of California. Stephen sent in information on his 1968 Mustang Hardtop 8R01C120740 Built 28 Dec. 67 at the San Jose, California plant. Stephen is living proof of how much most of us love our Mustangs. Under "Options You Added," Stephen put "LOVE". That is truly the best option you can put on your Mustang. In all reality, "LOVE" is standard equipment on most Mustangs!

One thing I have noticed about many of you who have participated is the warmth and enthusiasm you radiate in your letters. Many letters end with "Mustangs Forever," "I LOVE MUSTANGS," "I LOVE MY MUSTANG," "I WOULDN'T SELL HER FOR ANYTHING!" just to name a few! It is very obvious just how much we all love this addiction called "Mustang Fever."

I would like to thank Keith Blanchard of California for the VID information that he submitted to "In Search." Keith submitted seven Mustangs to the project. A couple of these Mustangs are junked. This gives you an idea of what we are looking for — junked Mustangs, mint Mustangs, restored Mustangs, average Mustangs, not to mention the unique ones! It is up to YOU to find them!

In answer to Tim Nagao of California on his 1966 Mustang 6R07C162731 built on February 7, 1966 at San Jose, California. Tim's Mustang was delivered new to the Los Angeles area with a DSO of 71. Thank you, Tim, for writing.

Another interesting letter has a

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Thank you for participating in "IN SEARCH OF MUSTANGS". Please send all information to Jim Smart, P.O. Box 342, Salisbury, MD 21801-0342. A self addressed stamped envelope will get you a reply!

story with it. Charlie Patterson of California has a 1968 Mustang 8R01C143076 Built 16 February 1968 at the San Jose Plant. It has a DSO of 710784, showing delivery to the L.A. area and was a special order Mustang! Special order because of the extra four digits after the DSO of 71. Charlie's Mustang has no color code. This Mustang may have a special color as Charlie says it is too green to be aqua, but too aqua to be light green! This Mustang has the original paint. Can anyone explain this one? Charlie, my advice to you is to find your production manifest (computer printout). If you have no luck there, you may wish to visit an automotive paint supplier. Ask your Ford dealer about colors available on Fords other than Mustangs in 1968. Some Mustangs could be ordered with Thunderbird colors as an option

in certain years. My advice is to try to go with that color when you paint her; it obviously was a special option and quite rare. Good luck, Charlie, in your search!

Another nice letter from Greg and Fred Wong of Ontario, Canada contains two BOSS Mustangs. A 1970 BOSS 302, OT02G113724 with a DSO of B1, showing delivery new to Eastern Canada. The other BOSS, a 1971 BOSS 351, 1F02R142949 built in October 1970 with a DSO of B1 meaning Eastern Canada. Both Mustangs have been modified some. Thank you, Greg and Fred, for adding these two limited production Mustangs to our registry!

Heather Adam of New York tells us about her five year dream come true! 8T02J149254 — 01053, a 1968 Shelby GT 350! Heather picked this gem up for (check your eyes) \$5,000,

and it is in suprisingly good condition! This Shelby left the Metuchen, N.J. assembly line on January 11, 1968. I would like to thank Heather for submitting her Cobra /pony to our registry!

I would like to thank Teresa Vickery for her tremendous help on this project. Teresa took the time to place "In Search" applications in each registration packet at the Eastern National. Applications also found their way to vendors and Mustangs for sale in the Pony Corral. I encourage all of you who participated in the Eastern National to please send in your application.

Larry Nash of Pennsylvania wants to know if his 73 convertible (3F03H220960 built in April 1973) is the last one built. Well, Larry, your 73 Mustang is not the last convertible built, but 1973 was the last year for a

Mustang convertible. For everyone's information, the last Mustang convertible was 3F03Q259417 built on June 25, 1973. This Mustang, as of 1978, had still not been titled and has few miles on it. The owner is Ron Stoltz of Pennsylvania, a former Ford dealer. Mr. Stoltz has had this Mustang since new, and it is not only the last Mustang convertible, but also the last convertible built by Ford Motor Company!

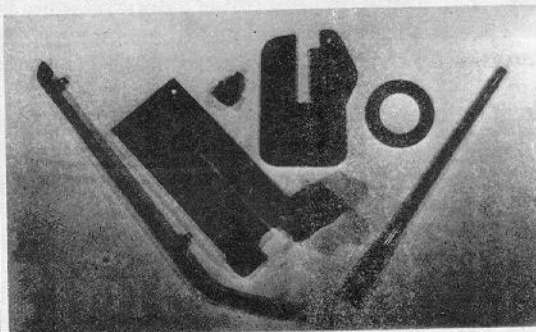
Finally, I would like to make it known of the availability of IN SEARCH OF MUSTANGS T-Shirts! If you desire these T-Shirts, please contact me as soon as possible. The shirts are \$6.50 each. In wearing your IN SEARCH OF MUSTANGS T-Shirt, you will help spread the word.

I would like to ask "Mustang Andy" of Utah if he intends to participate in "In Search." Mustang Andy wrote to me some time ago telling me about some 80 Mustangs he has in his inventory, but did not have the time to jot it all down. Would anyone in the Ogden, Utah area like to help Mustang Andy?

See you at the Grand Nationals!!

Jim Smart

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